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1. I SAW FONOFF STATE SECY KOOIJMANS THIS MORNING (15 APRIL) TO MAKE POINTS OUTLINED IN REFTEL. IN RESPONSE HE SAID THAT ANY GON DECISION ON ALMELO ENLARGEMENT UNLIKELY BEFORE MIDSUMMER AND PROMISED PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH US.

2. KOOIJMANS EXPLAINED THAT QTE NOTHING HAD CHANGED UNQTE SECRET

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SINCE SUBJECT LAST DISCUSSED. NEXT STEPS HE OUTLINED WERE A DISCUSSION AMONG THE THREE FOREIGN MINISTERS WHO ARE SCHEDULED TO BE IN LONDON APRIL 18 FOR EC MINISTERIAL. THEN, EXPERTS FROM LONDON, BONN, THE HAGUE ARE TO MEET IN LONDON THE FOLLOWING DAY TO FURTHER ANALYZE QUESTION OF SAFEGUARDS IN FRG/BRAZIL CONTRACT.

3. KOOINMANS WOULD NOT RULE OUT THEORETICAL POSSIBILITY OF DECISION BEFORE DUTCH ELECTIONS MAY 25. THE ONLY WAY THIS COULD COME ABOUT WAS HYPOTHETICAL POSSIBILITY THAT GERMANS AND BRITISH WOULD ACCEPT SAFEGUARDS CRITERIA SET BY THE DUTCH IN PERIOD BETWEEN NOW AND THEN.

SO, WHILE THERE REMAINS THEORETICAL POSSIBILITY, IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY, THEREFORE, IT QTE ALMOST CERTAINLY UNQTE WILL NOT OCCUR BEFORE MID-SUMMER. QTE THIS GIVES US BREATHING ROOM UNQTE KOOIJMANS SAIDM

4. KOOIJMANS ASKED ONE SEPARATE QUESTION: WERE WE SURPRISED BY FRG ACTION? I REFERRED TO EXCHANGE BETWEEN VON STADEN AND DEPUTY SECRETARY, ADDING FOR EMPHASIS OUR DISAPPOINTMENT. MCCLOSKEY

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